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SUBJ: EXIT VISA REPRESENTATION

REF: HARTMAN TO SECRETARY MEMO OF 6/15/74

1. IN ACCORDANCE REFERENCE MEMORANDUM, I PRESENTED LIST OF U.S. CITIZEN REPATRIATION CASES AND U.S. FAMILY REUNIFICATION CASES TO KUZNETSOV JULY 17, STATING THAT I WAS DOING SO ON INSTRUCTIONS OF THE SECRETARY. I NOTED THAT TWO OF CASES OF AMERICAN CITIZENS ON LIST I HAD GIVEN KUZNETSOV IN MARCH HAD BEEN FAVORABLY RESOLVED, AND THAT WE HOPED FOR A FAVORABLE RESOLUTION OF OTHER CITIZEN CASES AND CASES OF PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THEIR FAMILIES IN THE U.S. I NOTED MY PERSONAL INTEREST IN SOME OF THESE CASES, WHICH I HAD WORKED ON 25 YEARS AGO AS CONSUL, AND ALSO THE INTEREST OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

2. KUZNETSOV RESPONDED MILDLY THAT HE WOULD DELIVER THE LIST TO APPROPRIATE SOVIET AUTHORITIES AND THAT THE MFA WOULD DO ITS BEST TO ASSURE THAT THE LIST IS GIVEN EVERY CONSIDERATION. WHEN AUTHORITIES HAVE MADE DECISIONS, WE WILL BE INFORMED OF RESULTS.

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LAWS. HE SAID THE LIST I HAD GIVEN HIM EARLIER IS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION, AND THAT WHILE HE DOES NOT HAVE EXACT DATA HE DOES KNOW THAT SOME CASES HAVE BEEN FAVORABLY RESOLVED. HE CONCLUDED THAT SUCH CASES SHOULD NOT BE BLOWN UP OUT OF PROPORTION OR CONNECTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITH OTHER IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF OUR RELATIONS.

3. KUZNETSOV ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME TRUTH TO MY OBSERVATION THAT NEW CASES SEEM TO BE RESOLVED QUICKER AND EASIER THAN OLD CASES. HE SAID THAT HE THOUGHT SOVIET ORGANS HAVE GOOD REASON FOR SOME OF THE REFUSALS.
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